

OUR ENTREPRENEURIAL GARDEN

KINDERGARDEN RADOST– ZADAR
SUBSIDIARY „VOŠTARNICA”
CROATIA


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Kindergarten „Voštarnica” was named after the neighborhood in which it is located. It is recognizable by the tall buildings, the sports center, the city library and the promenade by the sea.




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Children, educators, parents and members of the local community participate in creating the culture of the kindergarten. Through a team approach and partnership cooperation, we develop positive attitudes towards the environment.

By planting olives in the 1990s, we began the process of creating an ecological culture. In March of 1998, we were included in the *International Eco School Program*, and since 2008 we have acquired the status of the *International Eco School - Eco Kindergarten*.

We are the holders of the Green Flag, which we regularly renew.





With joint deliberation and agreement we've
conceived a way to arrange our garden area.
We planted Mediterranean plants and the
“Mediterranean Garden” was created.
*Lavender, rosemary, sage, basil, almonds,
figs, pomegranate...*



ACTIVITIES

In addition to outdoor activities, we also carried out activities in the living space area.

- practical and work activities
- research based activities

- making soap and scented candles
- making scented bags
- researching plant growth
- taking care of plants
- playing games with rules
- drawing, painting, modeling





WE EAT WHAT WE CULTIVATE

We prepared the ground for our little vegetable garden where we planted seasonal, home-grown vegetables, and nurtured it.







Throughout our ecological process, together with the children, we came to the conclusion that we can feed and protect the plants in our environment with bio enzymes.

This organic solution is formed by fermentation of fruit and vegetable residues with the addition of sugar and water.





WE PLANTED TWO TYPES OF INDIGENOUS,
OLIVE TREES AND A WHITE MULBERRY TREE,
WHICH FITTED PERFECTLY INTO OUR ECO
GARDEN.



White Mulberry

During the Forest Week, when the emphasis is on renewable energy sources and environmental protection, a mulberry tree was planted in the kindergarten in cooperation with the „Lijepa naša” association (2008).







OLIVE TREES

BEGGINING

- we planted our olive trees on Earth day
- We nurtured our olive trees throughout the years
- generations of children have grown up with our olive trees

TODAY

- We produce and sell our olive oil

Earth Day 1995. - planting olive trees





Harvesting olives





Preparation of olives for milling



OLIVE TREES IN SETS OF ACTIVITIES



Through various sets of activities, children have the opportunity to learn about the extraction process of olive oil and its benefits in everyday life.

In different activity centers, children have the opportunity to explore, construct and express themselves creatively.

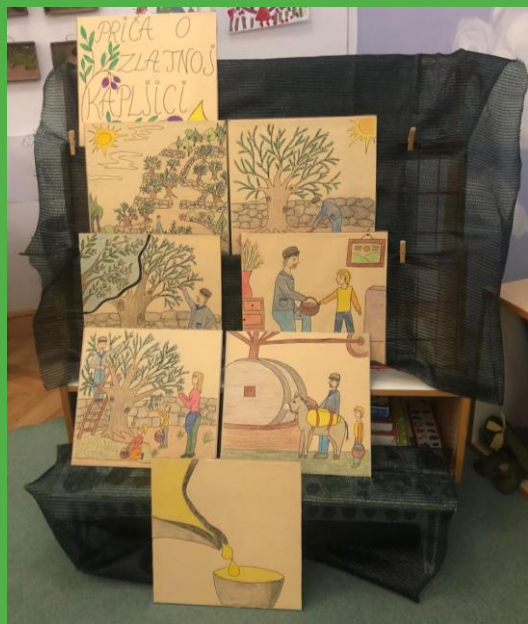


The process of olive oil extraction

- children visiting the oil mill
- harvesting and extraction of olive oil with family members



Prepared materials for activities



ENTREPRENEURSHIP

We create an entrepreneurial atmosphere from a very young age through a variety of games and activities that will provide basic entrepreneurial knowledge, skills and attitudes.







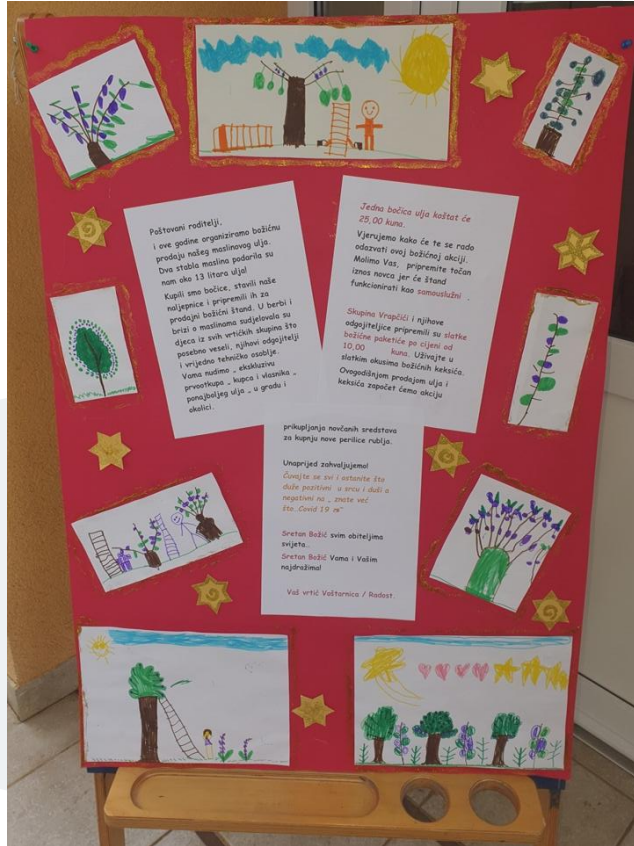


- ❖ Through entrepreneurial thinking and action, we encourage children's independence, creativity, determination and decision-making.
- ❖ We ready the children for an active participation in the labor market.

After we sold our olive oil, we invested the collected funds in our kindergarten. In agreement with the children, we decided to renovate the shared dining room. The grand opening of the newly decorated dining room was supported by the participation of parents, associates, the kindergarten principal and representatives of the local community.








Oil sales in the days of COVID – 19

- In the pedagogical year of 2020/2021, due to epidemiological measures, parents did not enter the kindergarten, so we organized the sale in the front yard.
- With their voluntary financial contributions, the parents supported our action.
- We are raising funds to renovate play equipment in our backyard.



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Activities of sustainable development are part of our kindergarden community's perspective and culture.

By ensuring a dynamic process of change, we empower our children for a sustainable future.



THANK YOU!